

Expanding Online Services

Business and Professions Division



Presentation Agenda



- ✓ Today's Meeting Objectives
- ✓ Walk through current licensee experience
- ✓ Which programs can access current on-line services
- ✓ The short-term vision for expanding on-line services
 - ✓ Phase 1
 - ✓ Phase 2
- ✓ Schools Portal data connected to Solar
- ✓ Funding
- ✓ Advantages
- ✓ Your questions and input

Today's Meeting Objectives



- Educate Real Estate Commission and stakeholders about near future plans for online services
- 2. Answer questions and discuss plans
- 3. Solicit your feedback!



Real Estate Licensee's Experience



- All professional licensee's receive a paper license renewal notification
- Initial licensing requires a paper submission process. Real Estate licensees send information through the exam vendor who then notifies us when they pass their exam. The licensees activate their licenses manually. There is no online initial licensing functionality for any BPD profession
- Licensing renewals require receipt of a password with the paper renewal notification*. The password is not required for paper renewals but is mandatory to access Solar** online license renewals

^{*} If a finger print is associated the licensee can not currently renew online

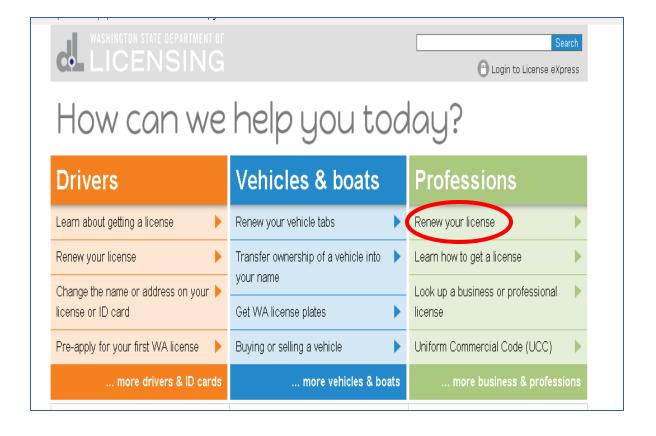
^{**} Solar is DOL's on-line interface for the professional licensing system

Accessing Solar



<u>Step 1:</u>

Licensees enter Solar through <u>www.dol.wa.gov</u>



Choose Profession



Step 2:

Licenses you can renew online or by mail (includes Real Estate professions)

- Architects
- Body piercing and body art
- Cemeteries
- Crematories
- Cosmetologists
- •Embalmers
- •Engineers
- Funeral directors
- •Funeral establishments
- Geologists
- Home inspectors
- Land surveyors
- Landscape architects
- On-site designers and inspectors
- Permanent cosmetics artists
- •REAL ESTATE APPRAISERS
- •REAL ESTATE BROKERS
- •REAL ESTATE MANAGING BROKERS
- Sellers of travel
- Tattoo artists

Programs on this list:

- Renew licenses on-Line
- Cannot initiate license on-line

More Professions



Step 2 (cont.):

Licenses you can renew only by mail or at an office

- Appraisal management companies
- Auctioneers
- Bail bonds
- Boxing
- Camping resorts
- Collection agencies
- Court reporters
- Driver training schools and instructors
- Employment agencies and directory services
- Limousines
- Martial arts/Combative Sports
- Notaries public
- Private investigators
- Rental cars
- Security guards
- Telephone solicitors
- Timeshares
- Taxis
- Vehicle and vessel dealers
- Vehicle manufacturers
- Vehicle transport and disposal
- Whitewater river outfitters
- Wrestling

Programs on this list:

- •Cannot renew license on-line
- Cannot initiate license on-line

Current Licensing Renewal Process



Step 3:

CERT/LIC NO.: Renewal Password:

Example 23201 1234567 Example X\$RT G3RY



Note: Payment options include credit and some debit cards

Solar Modification Plan



Phase 1: Current RFP for FY 2014-15 \$140,000

Focus on System Architecture:

- Create ability to upload documents and link them to the licensee's file
- Create shopping cart tool allowing employers to renew several employees' licenses on-line at one time
- Create ability for licensees to update personal information, including e-mail addresses. This will allow advent of E-mailing on-line renewal notifications
- Replace annual password process with on-line security questions to simplify access and alleviate the need for password assistance from Business and Profession's Division staff

Solar Modification Plan (cont.)



Phase 2: 2015-17 biennium

Expand Program Access and Functional Improvements:

- Move programs without on-line renewal functionality into Solar
- 2. Allow Solar to offer initial license application
- Allow the licensees to transfer between firms On-line
- Enable programs to use the Schools Portal that feeds education data into Venture licensee accounts*
- 5. Add ACH/E-check functionality to Solar
- 6. Potentially convert Solar language to C#

^{*}Functionality is needed to connect Venture education tracking to Solar so that licensees can view their continuing education status (see next page).

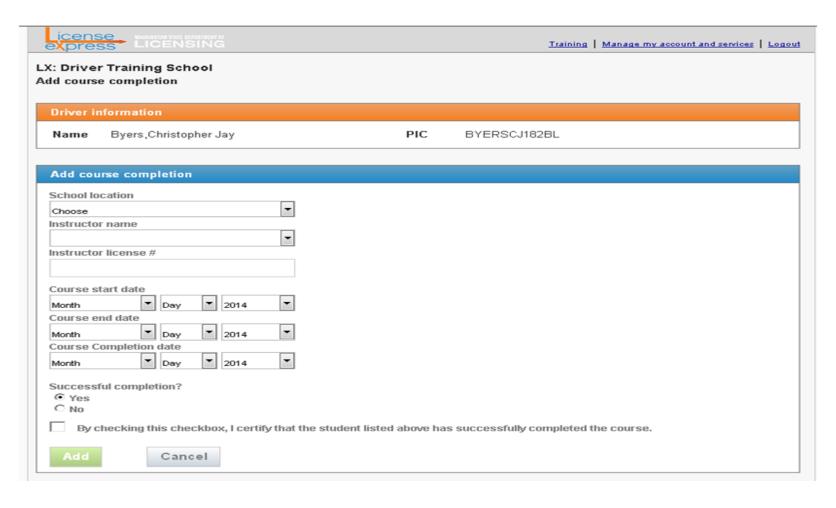
Schools Portal



Most functionality already exists to display exam and continuing education data:

Venture's "Schools System" already captures education information for Driver

Training Schools (can be applied to other programs)



Link School Data to Solar



Venture can store the uploaded data...

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...then link the education data to Solar to display to licensees

Solar Funding Proposal



- Increase spending authority from BPD programs' fund accounts
- Spends fund balance to benefit licensees, instead of sweeps by the legislature
- Rely only on prioritized fund types for funding Phase 2
- Maximize requested spending authority amount, figure can be reduced at later date
- Package also includes language around improved imaging options. If imaging software (Kofax) is upgraded, additional modules could be purchased to enhance operations

Advantages of Modifications



- Improves time to license
- Improves licensee DOL experience and increases customer satisfaction
- Eliminates the need for 'most' paper renewal notices for 250,000 licensees, when last assessed BPD was spending over \$150,000 per year on renewal and initial license mailings
- New functionality planned through Lean projects before migrating to Solar
- Smoothes BPD's transition into Business Technology when more online functionality pre-exists
- Bridges gap to BPD's incorporation into Business Technology Modernization
- Allows programs to take advantage of Business Technology functionality as it is developed, "plug and play"
- Reduces manual data entry and related health issues
- Limits use of already overstretched IS resources by contracting out work
- Eases concerns by boards and commissions regarding our ability to be current on technology to benefit licensees

Discussion



- Questions on existing plans?
- Discuss impact to Real Estate Licensees
- Other important functionality to consider for future On-line enhancements?
- What's next for Decision Package